

## CITY OF HOUSTON

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## Clarification - Revision Letter No. 3

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Request for Proposal (RFP)
Wireless Broadband Network
Financing & Management Services
for
The City of Houston

Clarification and Revision to Section 1.9 of the RFP.

To ALL Respondents:

For the benefit of all prospective Proposers, provided below are the City of Houston's clarifications and revisions to Section 1.9 of the RFP.

## 1.9 MW/DBE Participation

The last sentence of this section states the following: "Exhibit E, 'MW/DBE Materials' is included for informational purposes only." A clarification and revision to this section is being issued to make proposers aware that the completion and submission of Exhibit E, MW/DBE Materials is a requirement and <u>not</u> for informational purposes only. These forms will be used to evaluate good faith efforts towards the City's MW/DBE goal. Exhibit E, MW/DBE forms, Attachments A, B, C, and D are available online at <a href="http://www.houstontx.gov/it/digitalhouston20060317.doc">http://www.houstontx.gov/it/digitalhouston20060317.doc</a> (page 35 - 41 of the RFP).

In addition, any changes in submitted MW/DBE participation must be approved by the Director of Affirmative Action Division.

At the time of proposal submission and before execution of any contract or issuance of any purchase order for which an MBE/WBE goal has been established, a bidder or potential contractor shall submit a plan setting forth how it intends to meet the contract MBE/WBE goal. After execution of the contract or receipt of a purchase order, the contractor shall comply with the submitted plan, unless it has received approval from the director of affirmative action for a deviation therefrom. Approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. While it is not a requirement that a contractor meets a goal, it is required that the contractor objectively demonstrate to the affirmative action division that is has made good faith efforts to meet the goal. To this end, the contractor shall maintain records as prescribed by the affirmative action division demonstrating it efforts compliance. The contractor shall be required to submit to the affirmative action division reports of its efforts under this article in such form or manner as shall be prescribed by the division.

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